

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on February 26, 2008 in room S-2 at the Pitkin Community Center, 30 Greenfield Street, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert Garrey, Chairperson (arrived at 7:34PM)
Eric Hart, Vice Chairperson (arrived at 7:34PM)
John Maycock, Clerk
Gary McLeod
Susan O'Brien
Bette Botticello, Alternate

Members Absent: Mark Raymond, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator

Commissioner O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:30PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Maycock, Clerk, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on February 15, 2008.

APPLICATION NO. 3565-08. Shireen Aforismo seeking to install a shed in the rear at 185 Broad Street.

John Aforismo of 185 Broad Street appeared before the commission. Drawings of the structure were provided.

Mr. Aforismo indicated that the proposal is to build a tool shed in the back of the property. The structure is a smaller version of the carriage house that currently exists on the property. The color and materials are the same as exists on the carriage house. The door will be a garage door that looks like a barn door. The roof will be slate. The windows will match those on the carriage house.

The garage door will face the current carriage house so that the interior of the shed cannot be seen from the street when the door is open.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 3566-08. Antonio Lenoci seeking to install leaf guard on one side of the building at 281 Main Street.

Antonio Lenoci of 123 Wolcott Hill Road and Vincenzo Lenoci of 232 Ridgewood Drive Rocky Hill appeared before the commission. Also appearing was John Sullivan of Leaf Guard of Connecticut located at 61 Arrow Road Wethersfield. Mr. Sullivan displayed a sample of the proposed gutter.

Mr. Sullivan stated that the proposed gutter was approved in newly constructed structure in the district. Commissioner Garrey confirmed the structure was at 56 Marsh Street.

Mr. Sullivan stated that since the gutters will be installed so high up they will not appear different from what currently exists. They will be installed on the Hartford Avenue side of the building. Commissioner O'Brien asked whether the gutters would match the current trim color. She was told they would. Two downspouts will be installed.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 3567-08. Rosina Reale seeking to repair and expand side porch at 117 Hartford Avenue.

Richard Risley of 331 Silas Deane Highway appeared before the commission. He explained that two prior applications had been filed for this project. Both applications had been approved, but the work was never done.

The project differs from the other applications in that the porch's depth is being increased by 1'. The proposed windows will be double hung Andersen vinyl clad with 1/1 light pattern. The size of the windows is 2.4' x 4.6'. Mr. Risley was asked whether the proposed windows are Andersen 400 Series. He advised he was not aware that a 400 Series existed. Commissioner O'Brien asked whether the applicant would be opposed to the Andersen 400 Series, and Mr. Risley responded he would not.

The proposed door is wood panel door with 9 lights.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner O'Brien, and seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing and open the public meeting on the discussed applications.

Aye: Garrey, Hart, Maycock, McLeod, O'Brien

APPLICATION NO. 3565-08. Shireen Aforismo seeking to install a shed in the rear at 185 Broad Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted

Discussion

Commissioner O'Brien stated the work on the structure was beautifully done, and expected the shed to be constructed in the same manner so as to enhance the property.

Aye: Garrey, Hart, Maycock, McLeod, O'Brien

APPLICATION NO. 3566-08. Antonio Lenoci seeking to install leaf guard on one side of the building at 281 Main Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner O'Brien stated the proposed gutters are indistinguishable from gutters used throughout the district, and do not impact the historical significance of the property. Commissioner Garrey stated the building is very close to the street and is large making the gutters less noticeable.

Aye: Garrey, Hart, Maycock, McLeod, O'Brien

APPLICATION NO. 3567-08. Rosina Reale seeking to repair and expand side porch at 117 Hartford Avenue.

Upon motion by Commissioner O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

- Windows shall be Andersen 400 Series.
- The trim and siding shall match existing.

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated the proposed materials that will be used are appropriate. Commissioner O'Brien stated the proposed toe kick is a nice architectural element.

Aye: Garrey, Hart, Maycock, McLeod, O'Brien

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: February 12, 2008

Upon motion by Commissioner Hart, and seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, the minutes of the February 12, 2008 meeting were approved without objection.

OTHER BUSINESS

Public comments on general matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

Kristin Stearley reported that Paul Camarco has resigned from the Commission. No replacement has been named as yet.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by Commissioner Hart and a poll of the Commission, it was unanimously voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 7:55PM.

Aye: Garrey, Hart, Maycock, McLeod, O'Brien

Respectfully Submitted
TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

John Maycock
Clerk